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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

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SERIAL NO: 09/218,33

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FOR: MODULAR COPYING SYSTEM

USING LIGHT WAVE,

ELECTRIC WAVE, OR SONIC WAVE INTERCONNECTIONS

: EXAMINER: GRANT

: GROUP ART UNIT: 2724

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RESPONSE

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

In response to the outstanding Office Action of October 14, 1999, favorable reconsideration of this application, in view of the present response, is respectfully requested.

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application, in view of the following comments, is respectfully requested.

Claims 12-47 are pending in this application. Claims 12-47 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §251 as being an improper recapture of claimed subject matter deliberately canceled in the application for the patent upon which the present reissue is based.